
**APPLICATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW
TRIAL PANEL CERTIFICATION TRAINING**

Application for: ☐ Springfield training ☐ Boston training

Counties in which assignments are desired:

1. Name

Law Firm

Office Address

Telephone

FAX

Email address

2. BBO Number

Date of admission to Mass Bar

Date of admission to other Bars:

State

Date

Law School(s) and date of graduation

3. Please attach resume describing education and employment history.

4. Please list trials which you have conducted as lead counsel, including date, duration of trial, the court in which it was tried, judge, opposing counsel, nature of case, and whether the case was tried to a jury. If fewer than five trials were conducted in the last five years, please describe significant evidentiary hearings or appellate proceedings in which you have participated.

5. Please describe experience in utilization of expert witnesses.

6. Please list participation in specialized trial skills training programs (e.g., MCLE, NITA, etc.) within the last five years, including sponsors, locations and dates.

7. Please list participation in other training programs within the last five years, including topics, sponsors, location and dates.

8. Please describe all education and/or experience representing or working with children, adolescents and families.

9. Have you ever been disbarred, suspended, reprimanded, censured, or otherwise formally disciplined, publicly or privately, as an attorney, or as a member of any other profession, or as a holder of any public office whether in Massachusetts or elsewhere? If yes, please explain.
10. Are any charges or complaints now pending before any court or agency concerning your conduct as an attorney, or as a member of any profession or as a holder of any public office? If yes, please explain.
11. Have you previously served on or do you currently serve on any other panel or list for assignment of lawyers to represent indigent clients? If so, list each panel and the dates of service.
12. Have you ever been removed from or suspended or otherwise disciplined by any panel for any period? If yes, give particulars.
13. Have you previously or do you currently accept appointments as a GAL, Court Investigator or CASA? If so please list the courts in which you accept appointments and the type of appointments.
14. Have you ever been removed from a court list or suspended from a court list or otherwise disciplined by any court relative to your appointment as a court investigator, GAL or CASA? If yes, please give particulars
15. Do you speak any foreign languages? If so, give particulars, and describe your level of fluency.
16. The Committee for Public Counsel Services is committed to assuring that the panel of attorneys accepting CAFL assignments is sensitive to the diversity of the client population it serves. What background, experience, and perspectives would you bring to the panel which would further the goal of maintaining a diverse panel that provides high quality legal representation?
17. Please briefly state the reasons you have applied for membership on the CAFL trial panel and briefly furnish any other information which you think would be helpful to the Committee for Public Counsel Services in evaluating your application.
18. Please enclose a short, concise legal writing sample. Whenever possible the writing sample should contain a legal argument or analysis and should not be a court investigation, GAL report, pretrial memorandum, or other document that does not provide a legal argument or analysis.

I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct.

Signature:

Date: